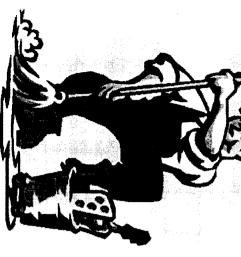
# Mix/Cast Contamination Control



Completion of this training is required for general access to controlled facilities within the Mix/Cast work center.



## Mix/Cast Contamination Control

Awareness course before attempting this Work Center Specific Training. You should have completed the Basic Contamination Control

courses to qualify you for access to Mix/Cast facilities. This Mix/Cast Contamination Control is part of a series of training

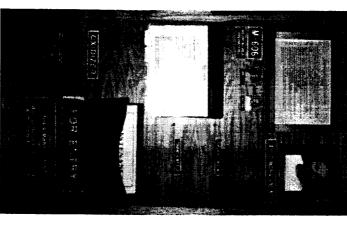
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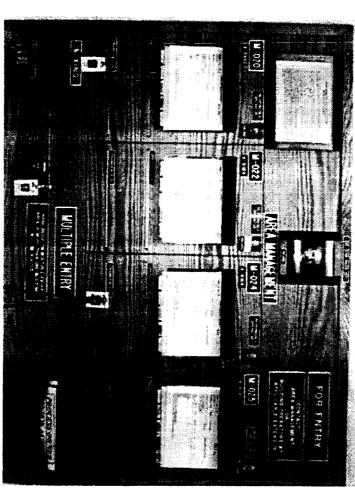
- List Contamination Control Requirements
- Identify foreign objects debris (FOD), Control Areas and their guidelines
- Describe environmental monitoring
- List Contamination Control Initiatives
- Describe concern for Controlled Materials
- Identify FOD Controlled Areas in Mix/Cast



## **Check Points to Control FOD**

stored require all personnel (visitors, transients and employees) to check-in/badge-in through an appropriate control area All facilities or processes where energetic materials are processed or







# Mix/Cast Empty Pockets/No Button Policy





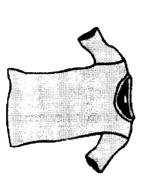


#### **Empty Pockets**

badges, pagers and cell phones. watches, rings, wallets, exposed piercings, pens, coins, Is the practice of emptying all clothing pockets of personal items and all personal accessories, such as earrings,

#### No Buttons

Mix/Cast work center has a No Button shirt requirement to M-13 & mixer buildings. enter facilities M-120, M-314, M-27, M-309, M-320, M-174,





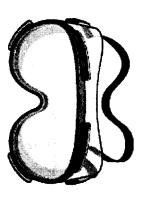
### Access Responsibilities





requirements and are escorted as required. all transient personnel follow all area PPE and FOD control Area supervision and building personnel are responsible to ensure that





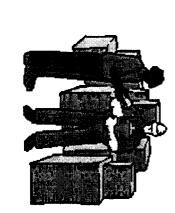
Let's take a quiz.

Transients and visitors to Mix/Cast Controlled Areas must be?

(check all that apply)

- ☑ Escorted by trained personnel☑ Must check-in/badge-in through control point
- Must be aware of FOD restrictions
- Free to explore if appropriately attired

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#### **Building Status**

measures are in force or suspended. The designated status of an area or facility indicates whether control

CONTROLLED STATUS:

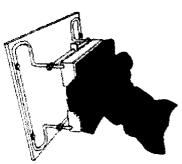
**OPEN STATUS:** 

All FOD, tool material and access control measures are in force.

FOD, tool, material, and/or access control measures have been suspended pending completion of maintenance, repair activities or for other reasons.

## **FOD Control Zone Guidelines**

- shoe brushes, etc.). Entryways to the outside of a facility or areas outside a FOD is not introduced into the process (e.g., tacky mats, FOD control zone are to be controlled such that migratory
- Glasses, including reading glasses, must be approved prescription safety glasses with tether and side shields.
- Clean all horizontal and overhead structures, including year or as directed by Work Center Director. cranes, beams, platforms, etc. at least once per calendar





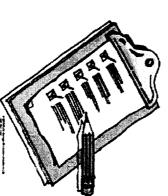
#### FOD Bags/Cans

to identify systemic generators of FOD. reviewed/trended by the facility/process owners as a means of helping are placed in the bags. These bags are emptied and the contents effective tool for monitoring the FOD "health" of a facility or process. Any non-contaminated loose items discovered during floor walks or audits FOD Bags/Cans are encouraged to be used in production areas as an

# Loose Item Accountability During Controlled Status

- point for a least one month. used and remain on file at the facility control/process check-in equipment) taken in and out of all FOD control zones. During Area supervision must control all loose items, (tools, maintenance activity, a Tool Checklist (FOP-0179) must be
- Any other items taken into a FOD control zone (e.g., control point. notebooks, pens, clip boards, etc.) must be logged in at the
- Maintenance work to approved work orders and Inventory each tool, in and out of facilities





## Monitoring and Inspection





#### Monitoring:

maintenance activity in FOD Control Zones. Operations must provide 100% monitoring/surveillance of all

#### Inspecting:

At the conclusion of this activity, Operations and/or Quality Assurance will perform a hands-and-knees inspection.





Let's take a little Quiz.

force. An Open Status is when all FOD, tool, material and access control measures are in

् True ु False

Let's answer some questions.

monitoring/surveillance of all maintenance activity in FOD Control Zones when in a Controlled status, how often? For Maintenance work in a Controlled Status, Operations will provide

- Only on swing shift
- ថ 100% of the activity
- Only when maintenance requests it
- Only on weekends

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## Housekeeping Continued

- Personnel are to practice a "clean-as-you-go" policy in all FOD Control Zones to maintain a Visually Clean (VC) level of cleanliness.
- All egress routes must be kept clean.
- Wastes will be removed at earliest opportunity.
- All spills and out-of-place propellant must be cleaned/addressed immediately.
- allowed by planning. Floors will be cleaned daily unless building is not in use. During processing operations sweeping will be kept to minimum and as

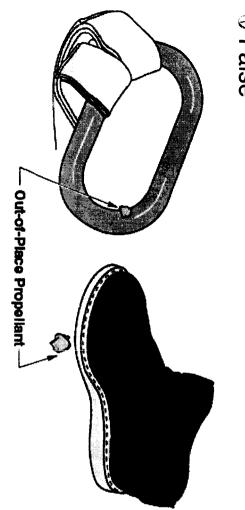




#### Let's take a quiz.

All spills or out-of-place propellant must be cleaned/addressed within the next 2 working days.

ୁ True ⊘False



Let's see what you have learned.

production area. These responsibilities include: Maintenance personnel are responsible for their tools carried into the controlled

- Inventory each tool, in and out
- ☐ Work to approved work orders
- 口 Clean as you go
- ☑ Use Tool Checklist (FOP-0179)

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### What else have you learned?

All facilities or processes where energetic materials are processed may have what FOD controls?

- Personnel check-in
- Training qualifications
- ☐ FOD Bags
- ☐ Shoe cleaners/tacky mats
- ☐ Tethered Tools

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## **Environmental Monitoring**

- RSRM program requires regular monitoring of particulate nitrogen. contamination in the environment and in plant-air systems and
- In the Mix/Cast work center, this monitoring includes the following:
- LMCP and M-325
- Compressed Air
- Operations are to maintain the quality of the compressed air/nitrogen used in FOD Control Zones by keeping outlets, connections and hoses clean and dry.



### **Environment Monitoring**

#### LMCP and M-325

Particulate levels in the environment are to be measured weekly Charting. will be measured. Obtained data will be controlled through SPC using portable systems as approved by the Central Contamination Control Team (CCT). Only particle sizes of 5.0 micron and larger



#### **Fastener Control**

adjustment screws) will be positively secured or controlled per fasteners must be positively secured. planning to provide hardware protection. In FOD Control Zones, all All facility/tooling fasteners in or affecting FOD Control Zones (except

- Approved Methods are:
- Lock-Wire
- Safety-Wire
- Locknut
- Lock-Tite
- Staking/Preening

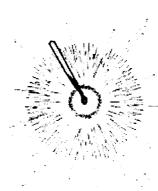


cross through the hole in contrasting color ink/paint. Blind holes will either be filled, or positively identified by applying a

## Critical Tooling/Hardware Protection

be equipped with a spark/flame arresting device outside air/dust and FOD. Vehicles entering the process building must Critical tooling/hardware must always be protected from exposure to

strips are to be regularly inspected and cleaned of any potential FOD. In areas where plastic hanging curtains are used, the individual curtain





# Work Center Contamination Control Team (CCT)

during regular Contamination Control Audits. defined by management and established procedures guide, coordinate and assure implementation of FOD objectives as This team will track and assure a timely response to actions identified Engineering and Operations. They meet regularly to communicate, The work center CCT is composed of representatives from





## **Contamination Control Audits**

containing FOD Control Zones. As a minimum, audits shall be performed annually in all facilities

Manager for corrective action. be documented in writing and forwarded to the applicable Operations Any findings/discrepancies that cannot be corrected on the spot, must

Findings shall be forwarded to the work center CCT for documentation and charting.





How about another quiz?

At a minimum, how often will Contamination Control Audits be performed in FOD Control Zones?

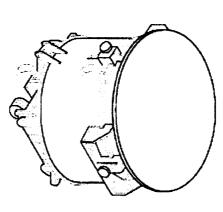
- WeeklyMonthlyAnnually
- Daily

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### **Material Containers**

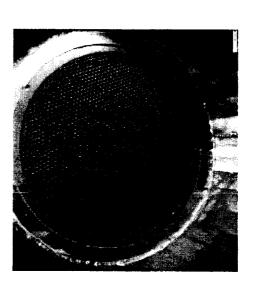
only be removed within the confines of a secure area or station. unattended (except where remotely processed). Lids or covers should Open bins and mix bowls containing product should not be left

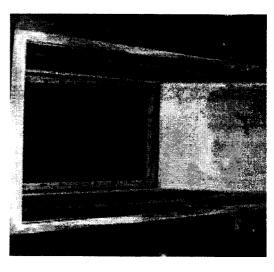




### Material Screening

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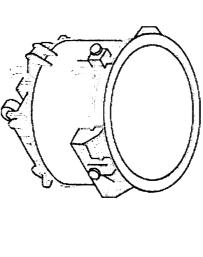


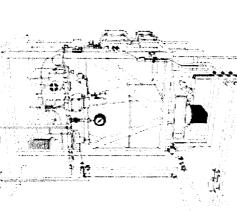
All protective shields and overhead canopies must be used as required.

Let's take a little quiz.

addition. All raw materials added to a mix-bowl or a grinding mill, need not be screened before

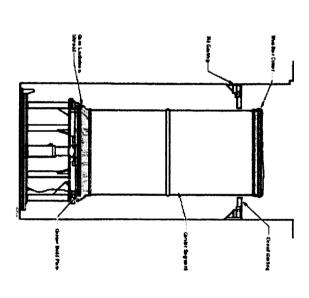
୍ True ⊮ False





# Large Motor Casting Pit (LMCP) FOD Checklist

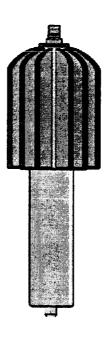
FOD. This form must be maintained from the time the case is installed in the pit until the pit is covered. A checklist is also required during At the LMCP a special "Casting Area Item Checklist" is used to control other critical operations such as Castable Inhibitor application.





#### Core Processing

covered. scheduled Teflon coating operations, the core interiors must be vacuumed and stored in the horizontal position with the aft end horizontal storage in the LMCP. For RSRM, at Pit-13, before Core exteriors must be covered before transporting and during



## Segment/Motor Protection

- be covered. If not being worked at a casting pit, Motor Segment is to
- For RSRM, the pit lid must be installed if segment is not being worked.

#### Tape Control

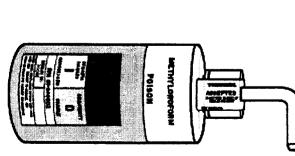
for when removed. used, great care is required when applying and removing the tape. is used only when planning calls for it to be used. Whenever tape is The process of tearing plastic tape easily generates loose FOD. Tape If tape is used to secure plastic covers, all pieces must be accounted





### **Controlled Materials**

- Solvents
- Refilling of solvent wash bottles by operators will not be allowed.
- All wash bottles containing Methyl Chloroform will be ordered from supply stores.
- Bottles of PF degreaser and lonox BC solvent will be distributed from appropriate bottle fill stations.





Let's take a quiz.

solvent wash bottles: The following statement are true for Methyl Chloroform, PF degreaser and Ionox BC

- Refilling of bottles by operators is not allowed
- □ Dispose of old bottle at bottle fill station
- Pick up new bottle at fill station or supply stores

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# Crane Debris/Drip Shield Exemptions

- The following list of cranes have been waived by the Contamination Control Team for requiring a debris/drip shield:
- Mixers (M-20, M-22, M-24, M-25) 8 Ton and 4 Ton Cranes
- M-27 − ½ Ton Jib Crane
- M-120 7.5 Ton, 2 Ton West Bay, 5 Ton east Bay and 5 Ton back up east Bay
- M-314 North and South 2 Ton cranes for lifting Iron Oxide bags
- M-320 − 3 Ton Hoist in battery room

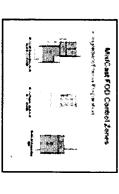


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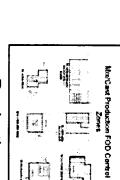
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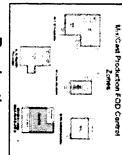
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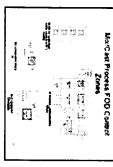
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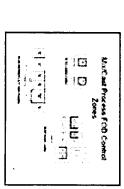
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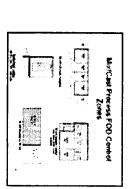
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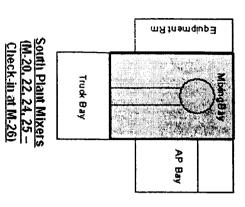
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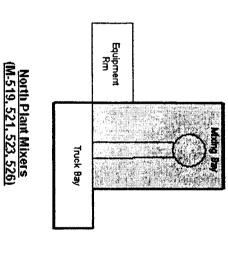


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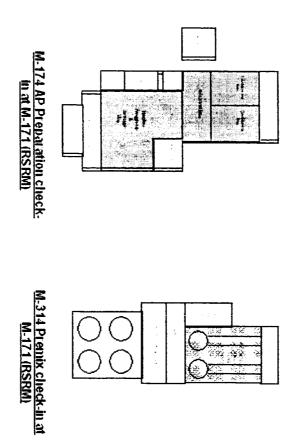


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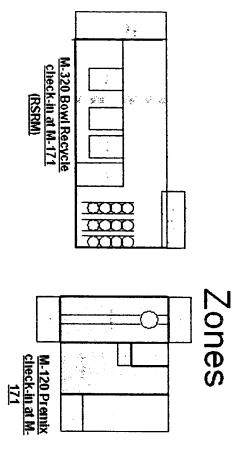
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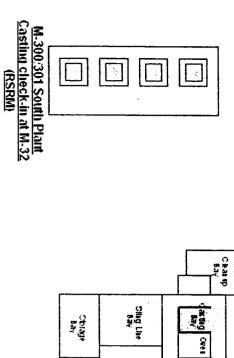


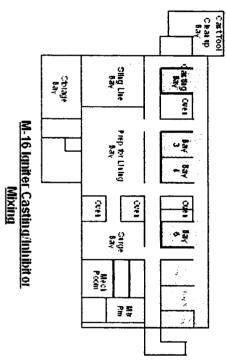
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# Mix/Cast Production FOD Control

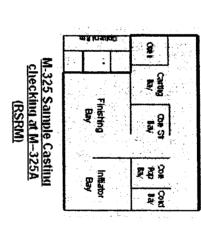


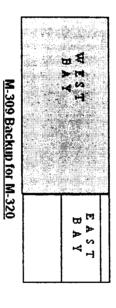
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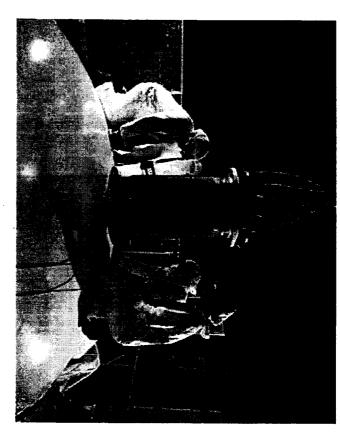
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# Contamination Control Awareness



Completion of this training is required for general access to most ATK Thiokol work centers.

Qualification does not grant access to any of the controlled processes within any work center. If access is needed to these contamination controlled areas, additional work center specific contamination control training (and others as required) must be completed.

Average completion time = 25 min. make sure you charge to the proper number

## Why more training?

and themselves to help the individual take the appropriate steps to protect the facilities, the hardware, This training will provide basic contamination control knowledge and encouragement



# The goal of this training is:

processes control measures to prevent the introduction of contaminants into our providing you with the ability to recognize contamination and knowledge of Improve the quality, reliability, and safety of our products and work areas by

# What is in this course for me?

After completing this training, you will be able to:

Describe what contaminants are.

State the impacts contaminants can have on our products.

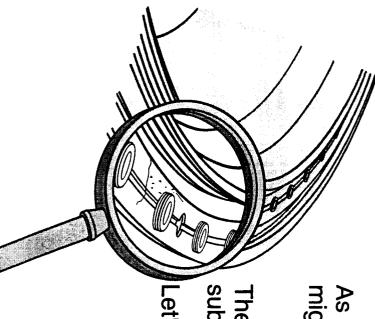
sources Identify the various forms of contamination and give examples of their

List methods to control contamination and give examples of their application.

Recognize building access restrictions.

# What is Contamination?

Contamination is any unwanted substance within a particular environment.



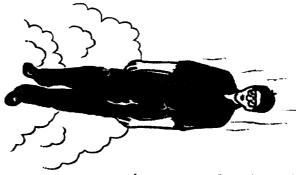
As often is the case, a material necessary in one process might be a contaminant in another.

substance is unwanted in a particular environment. The key to the definition of contamination is that the

Let's review how contaminants can affect our products.

# States of Contamination

Contaminants come in every state of matter: solids, liquids, and gasses Contamination has a vast number of forms and is found almost everywhere.



source of contamination. You may be surprised to learn that people are the most common

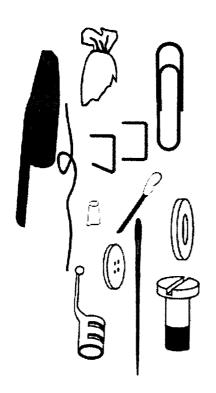
these unwanted materials everywhere we go. We shed skin, hair, perspiration, and spread oral and nasal fluids Plus we are carriers; the clothing we wear has loose threads, fibers, lint, numerous particulates and contaminants. We tend to spread

#### Solids

dust, lint, fibers, and ash from cigarettes inadvertently into a process. These people-particulates may be skin scale, hairs, As shown on the previous page, Solids contamination are materials brought

from overhead cranes. and fumes, machining chips and burrs, materials shedding, and debris activities or maintenance work. These may include: smoke, weld spatter with ... Process Particulates are particles from adjacent manufacturing But people are not the only sources of contamination we are concerned

been found in or near critical bonding and assembly areas. Foreign Objects and Debris. Similar items to those in the picture have Particles of significant size are grouped loosely under the name of FOD,



# Liquid Contamination

A liquid in the wrong place can be a contaminant. Common sources are people perspiration, water, solvents, oils, lubricants, and humidity.

Water and other liquids may cause corrosion, electrical shorts, and unbonds.

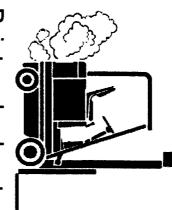
through the workplace. are often hard to see and so easily spread and tracked Liquids and semi-solids are difficult to control because they

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# Gaseous Contaminants

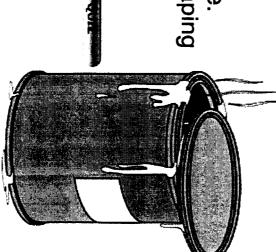
vapors, and combustion exhaust gases. Gaseous contamination can be visible or surfaces. Gaseous contamination can come from workteam members, chemical Gaseous contaminants are suspended in the air and can condense on critical invisible, making it difficult to identify and control.

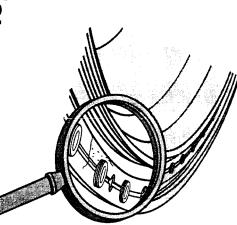


critical bonding areas. Only electric-powered forklifts and manlifts are permitted inside

Spills must be cleaned up immediately to prevent fumes escaping and the spread of liquids Paint and solvent cans must be tightly closed when not in use

Let's have a quick review of what we learned.





### Contamination is:

- □ OK because there is so much of it everywhere.
- ☑ Stuff where it shouldn't be.
- □ Not a big deal in our business.
- Only a concern if it is a solid FOD.



People are:

(Select all that may apply)

- Sources of many types of contaminants.
- ☐ Carriers of contaminants.
- Not very good at seeing most contaminants.

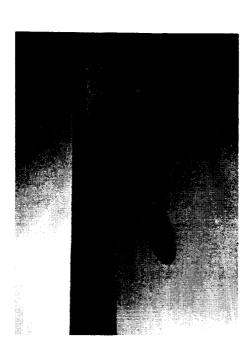
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# Some of the reasons we do not see many contaminants are:

### (Select all that may apply)

- They are very small particles on the part's surface.
- They are very small and suspended in the air.
- They are introduced at the vendor's plant and we assume the parts are clean.
- The planning says the parts should be clean, so we just don't look as hard.

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# Controls of Contamination

on controlling the unwanted substances. everywhere and comes in numerous forms. This next section of this course will focus quality and safety of our products. We were shown how contamination is almost In the previous section of this training, we learned how contamination affects both the

controlled bonding or assembly areas are clean and free of contamination. The best place to begin control is outside of the We must make sure all tooling and components used to manufacture the hardware

each must be made clean. materials, and even the air are allowed into controlled bonding or assembly areas, bays, and are protected with cleansing equipment. Before people, equipment, These Foreign Object Control areas are identified by signs on doors, barricaded work

Let's begin by protecting the parts from the people.

# Critical Process Controls

in a controlled area and only essential work team members allowed to enter the area through strict entry procedures and apparel. All critical processes must be performed During bonding and assembly operations, contamination from operators is controlled



Before entering rocket motor segments, operators must wear the appropriate low-lint clothing to limit contamination generated by themselves. Since the special clothing covers most of the body, it acts as a filter keeping particles that shed from getting into the air and into the part.

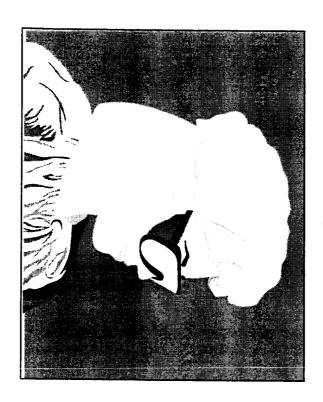
Operators and transients in the Mix/Cast facilities cannot wear clothing with buttons. Pullover tee-shirts will prevent loose

buttons from entering into the hardware or tooling.

of to prevent contamination collected from the bonding operation from entering into other work areas After bonding operations, the low-lint clothing is removed and disposed

#### **Hair Nets**

you are performing. areas. Always check planning to see if hair and beard nets are required for the job Hair and beard nets must be worn in all Foreign Object Control bonding areas. You be entirely covered with a hair net. Be aware that hats are not permitted in some must make certain all of your hair is covered. When wearing a hat with a bill, it must



#### Clothing

to wash because you may unknowingly spread industrial contamination into your home or likewise transfer contaminants back to your job (fabric softeners, etc.). them in at the change area and pick up clean ones. Do not take work clothing home spreading particulates and other types of contamination everywhere you go. Turn they have gross contamination or loose threads, then you may be unknowingly Change your clothing regularly. If coveralls, coats, or smocks are soiled or worn until



Wear gloves called out by planning. When you are using disposable gloves, change them often to prevent touching hardware with soiled gloves.

contaminate bonding surfaces transfer them to everything they touch. Take care not to easily absorb grease and liquids and unfortunately, absorbent. These gloves Leather gloves are both long lasting and,

# **Empty Pockets & Empty Hands**

pockets before entering. Control bonding areas. All personnel entering a FOD sensitive area shall empty their The "Empty Pockets" policy is in force at all mixer buildings and in Foreign Object



Jewelry of any kind, (exceptions on Medical alert bracelets and necklaces.) Painted or false fingernails or other similar items that could chip or break and fall unnoticed into the processes are NOT allowed.

Please check in with area supervision to make certain you are in compliance with area

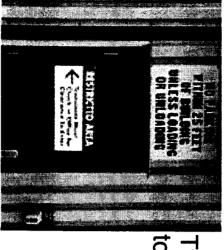
procedures.

### Controlling Access

door locks. These doors must be securely closed after opening. controlled-area entry points. Some facilities have badge activated All operators and transients or observers must enter through the

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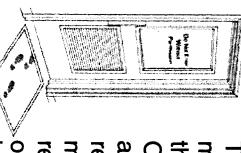
observers are screened for clearance to the manufacturing areas. Other areas have check-in requirements where transients and



Typically these areas do not allow food, tobacco, or gum and an Empty Pockets rule applies.

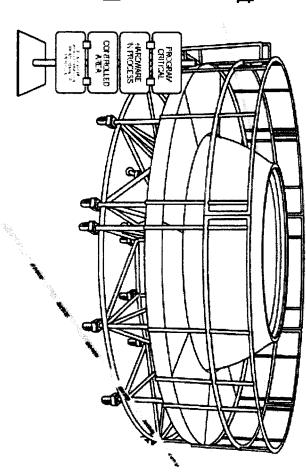
## **Isolating Operations**

other operations must be isolated or cordoned off Operations using materials for production work that are potential contaminants to



The placement of tacky mats or shoe cleaners at the entrance to Foreign Object Control bonding and assembly areas is recommended. Tacky mats should be changed regularly to avoid being overloaded with dirt; this is everyone's

responsibility.

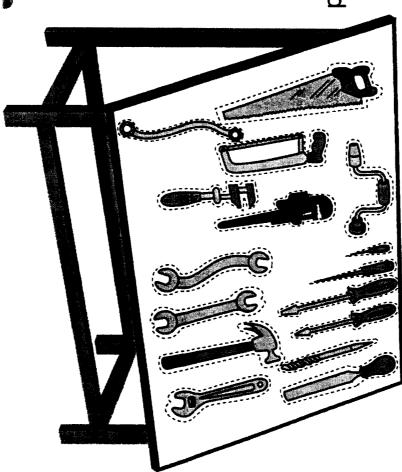


### **Control Hand Tools**

Use shadow boards to store tools and account for tools when they are not in use

- Never leave hand tools in an area where they could slip or fall into open processes
- Always clean hand tools before returning them to storage.
- A station checklist must be maintained to account for all items entering and leaving the areas. The checklist will help assure all items entering the Foreign Object Control area are accounted for at all times. If any item is not accounted for, shut down and find it.

Until a lost item is found, it is considered to be in the component or segment.



#### Squeeze Bottles

used. A solvent bottle can easily spread contamination if not properly

When dispensing solvent from wash bottle to a wiping cloth, enclose the tip of solvent bottle in the wiping cloth. Solvent can leave a gap between the dispensing nozzle and the cloth. Never

contaminants back into the solvent bottle. Should this happen, attach a "Use be siphoned from cloth when releasing hand pressure on the bottle and then carry Prohibited" Tag and properly dispose of contaminated squeeze bottles to prevent

When hand cleaning with solvents, change the cleaning cloths frequently to prevent the cloths from becoming saturated with contaminants. Dispose of soiled

cross-contamination

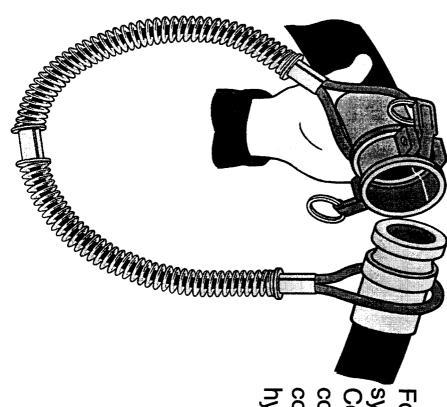


Solvent Bottle

Contamination

# Air Lines: Controlling Contamination

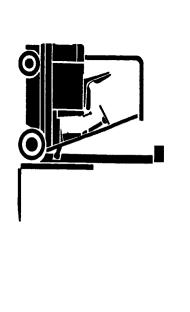
stop use immediately, place a "Use Prohibited" tag on the outlet, then notify the building supervision before using. If an outlet appears to have moisture or any other type of contamination, Inspect outlets on compressed air system for any contamination in or around outlets

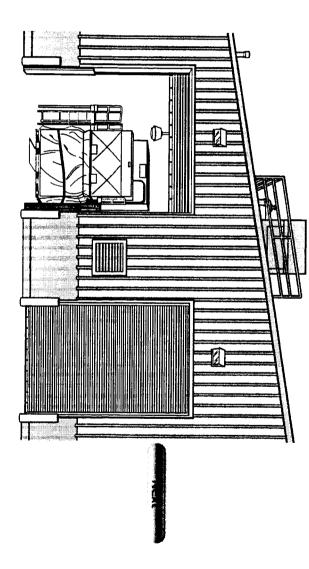


continuously monitored for moisture and system will be accomplished by the Contamination hydrocarbons compressed air sampling plan. The air is For RSRM facilities, testing of the compressed air Control Laboratory (M-35A lab) using the

#### Roll-up Doors

tooling, equipment or materials are moved in and out of the building. contamination from outside the area. The only time they should be open is when Roll-up doors in FOD Control Zone bonding areas help control migration of





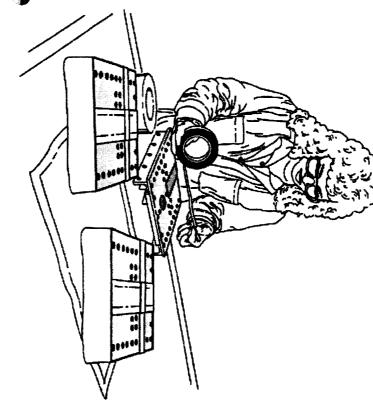
#### Release Agents

are used in work centers to intentionally prevent bonding. Teflon® tape, for example, A release agent is any substance preventing or inhibiting bonding. Release agents

is used to prevent rubber or test material from bonding to tooling. RTV (silicone) is used on the forward core to prevent propellant from penetrating mating surfaces.

A release agent on a bonding surface will cause an unbond by reducing the strength of the bond.

Several substances are considered release agents: Silicones, hydrocarbons, fluorocarbons, body oils, Teflon®, grease, lubricants, and other materials used in our work centers. Use only those materials called out in the shop planning.



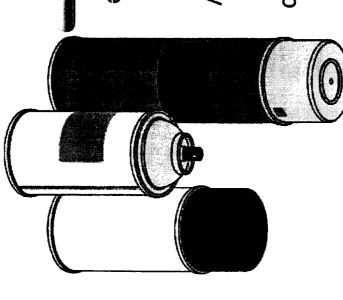
#### Aerosols

well as the propellants are almost always detrimental to proper bonding. Always be wary of using aerosols in a controlled facility. The material in the can as

and move these particles throughout an entire facility critical components. The air conditioning system can pick up The mist from spray cans is easily airborne and can drift to

booth or outside and away from building airducts Equipment requiring spraying should be isolated into a spray

covered When spray must be applied to equipment that cannot be removed or isolated, critical components in the area must be



# Follow the Procedures -

Documents showing how an organization deals with contamination control must be followed.

Shop planning will also alert you to other specific procedures concerned with contamination.

Do not hesitate to stop what you are doing to ask for directions and clarification.

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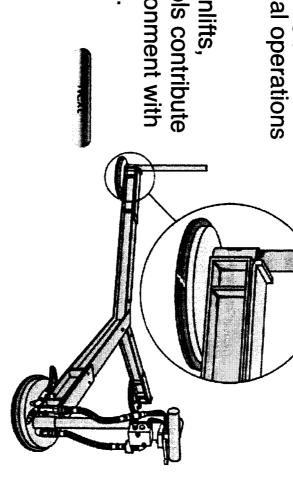
# Sources of Contamination

It has been pointed out that contamination can come from many different sources. The tooling can become rusty, have cracked paint or chips, and metal shavings.

walls, and cracked floors. Tools and normal operations Facilities may not have clean surfaces, aging painted

in a building are also sources of particles.

overhead cranes, and hand tools contribute Machinery such as forklifts, manlifts leaks, exhaust gases and wear. to the contaminated work environment with

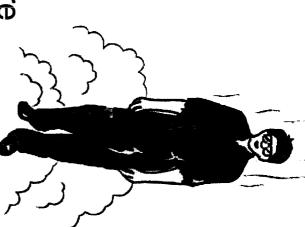


### Clean As You Go

Clean potential contamination as you are working. Don't leave it for the end of your shift when you may be in a hurry to finish up a job. And never leave your mess for the next crew.



The QUIZ button below will take you to the next series of questions and a TEDS link.



# The person in the picture

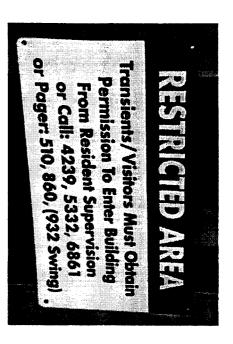
- is proud of his work, and shows it.
- is appropriately dressed for a critical bonding job.
- should seriously consider a visit to the Laundry.
- needs to take his overalls home for a good washing.



The dark spots on the rubber pattern are plastic flakes from the worn-out shelf cover.

## A solution could be:

- Use high pressure compressed air to blast away the pieces of debris.
- ☐ Grab a shop rag and wipe out the particles
- the shelf cover or finding a cleaner long term solution. Remove the rubber for cleaning. Do not ignore the problem. Consider replacing
- Use sticky tape to remove the debris.

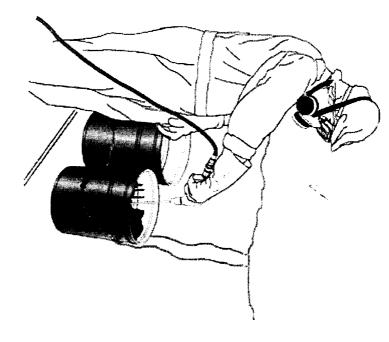


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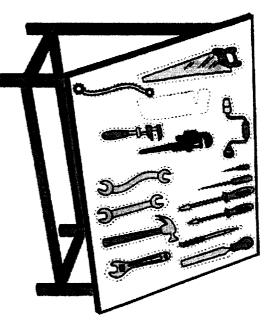
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- Better find another way in.
- □ Wait for a friend to let you in.

# Which operator is wearing a hair net correctly?

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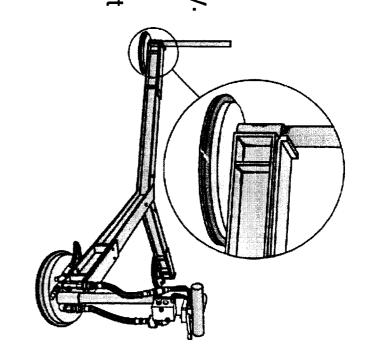


the next facility for Final Assembly. The job is done and the truck is ready to take the hardware to

- ☐ Good to go.
- Just empty the trash and I am done.
- Bob must have taken that hacksaw with him.
- Nobody and nothing leaves until we find that saw!

## paint chips, it needs a little touch up. The air bearing has some loose rust and

- In between jobs, use a wire brush on the rust.
- Go to the Crib for an aerosol can of paint and spray.
- or process Have the bearing removed for maintenance and preservation. Also, contact supervision to assure rust has been contained and has not contaminated product
- Just cover up the rust with tape.

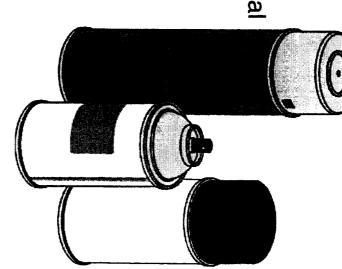


# S: The problem with aerosol cans in bonding and assembly areas

(Select all that may apply)

- The spray consists of fine particles.
- The aerosol propellant can be as bad as the paint.
- If not controlled, spray particles can drift onto nearby critical
- undesired areas Air moving systems also move these fine particles into

Submit Reset



# are: (select all that may apply) Ways we control contamination in bonding and assembly areas

- Controlling aerosols.
- Monitoring compressed air lines.
- wearing the proper clothing. Restricting access to critical areas to those persons qualified and
- Using airlocks, tacky mats, shoe scrubbers and cleaners.

